Changes to the Old Thoroughfare Plan
(adopted 1979)

Deletions - Rockingham:

- **Hannah Picket Extension** to Long Drive. This area has experienced high residential growth. The project is eliminated because it would require 40-50 dwelling units/apartments.

- **Midway Extension** to existing US 74. A pond and the Fruit of the Loom Complex has forced this connection to be shifted to the west. This shift may create design problems as the alignment ties into US 74 at a sloped and curved location.

Additions - Rockingham:

- **US 1 Bypass** (R-2501) is now planned as a full control access facility. Therefore, the alignment has changed. The project is currently undergoing the first phase of the environmental assessment. There are 3 primary corridor alternatives being considered. (Ref: Byron Brady, P&E Project Engineer) At this time, there is *no* proposed interchange between existing US 1 and existing US 74.

The Construction Plan: Shows the US 1 Bypass closer in proximity to Rockingham. This preferred corridor minimizes the impacts to existing wetlands. The other US 1 corridors extend further eastward requiring substantial wetland acreage and an increase in construction cost.

- **Mount Olive Church Road Extension** to Baldwin Road. The purpose of this facility is to provide travellers in North Rockingham and US 1 additional access to the hospital and mall/shopping area.

disadvantages:

* would require water intake to be shifted eastward or closure

advantages:

* Rockingham Road and Long Drive, currently over-capacity, would have substantial traffic relief.

* This proposed facility may acquire 1 house, however, the need for this facility is created by travellers in North Rockingham to the US 1 Bypass (ie. mall/ shopping/ restaurants/ hospital). The model has shown high demand for such a facility. As a note, north Rockingham area, near Roberdel and Nicholson Street is anticipated to be the highest growth potential for the planning area.

note:
* local area must consider impacts to water quality if development is allowed to occur around present water intake location